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VULCANIZING RUBBER HOSE

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Art Unit: 1733

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Atty Docket No. 8008

AMENDMENT

Applicants respond to the office actions mailed July 8, 2003, December 2, 2003  
and December 10, 2003. A copy of the claims presently being prosecuted in the  
application together with their status follows hereinbelow. Claims 3, 9, 11-13, 17-20, 25-  
30, and 33-36 are in the application.

Claims 25-29 have been allowed and claims 13 and 18-20 are objected to. Claims  
5, 6, 8, 10, 14-16, 21-24, 31, 37 and 43-47 have been withdrawn from consideration.

Applicant requests that some or all of these claims be rejoined upon allowance of the  
claims now pending in this application.

Please amend claims 3 and 35.

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